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"Of all the wonders of the universe, the greatest is man."

-Aristotle

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Lecture class vs. self-paced study:

English composition center offers alternative

by Kitty Pavlish
Editorial Editor

"Americans are becoming illiterate."

Anyone who has ever picked up a newspaper, turned on a television set or thumbed through a magazine has probably encountered the phrase which is fast becoming a cliché.

But is the statement true? Is the average intelligence of Americans declining? And, if so, why?

Surely these are all pertinent questions that need answering if one is to discern whether there is any basis for such an accusatory indictment of the education system and students in general.

Finding the answers, however, can in itself pose somewhat of a problem. Does one, for example, simply approach a student, a mother, an executive, a whomever and assertively and bluntly ask: "Do you think you are illiterate?" or "Do you think you are intelligent?" In either case, one may not receive a totally truthful reply.

Last week at SAC, for instance, a mini-survey was randomly executed and, of the 50 questioned, nearly half believed themselves to be "smart," most of them correlating their degree of intelligence with the concept of being "educated."

But then again, one must decide what is meant by the term "educated." The American College Dictionary defines

education as "the development of the special and general abilities of the mind" or "learning to know" or "the acquisition of knowledge."

And yet, those who claim to be educated, knowledgeable, intelligent often times find it difficult—if not impossible—to construct a coherent research or term paper and are petrified to enroll in a basic composition class such as English 101.

For example, Kurt Graham (real

name withheld by request), a 20-year-old chemistry major with a GPA (grade point average) of 3.5 proclaimed: "English has never been a very good subject of mine. Half the time I can't tell the difference between a noun and a preposition. If I don't take it (English 101) though, I can't get my AA (Associate of Arts) degree. I sure hope it doesn't mess up my GPA."

Apparently, this attitude is

shared by a substantial amount of Graham's classmates at Santa Ana College.

According to statistics gathered from a data sheet, Don Brown, chairman of the English Department here, allowed for use, only 287 of the 531 enrolled in either the English lecture or individualized courses completed the required three units.

But where does this fear or disinterest originate? And do its

ramifications produce the tumor of "illiteracy" which is purportedly devouring America's minds?

According to Dr. Richard Sneed vice-president of Academic Affairs, "The average high school grade is B+ (3.4), and yet the average high school reading level is that of eighth grade."

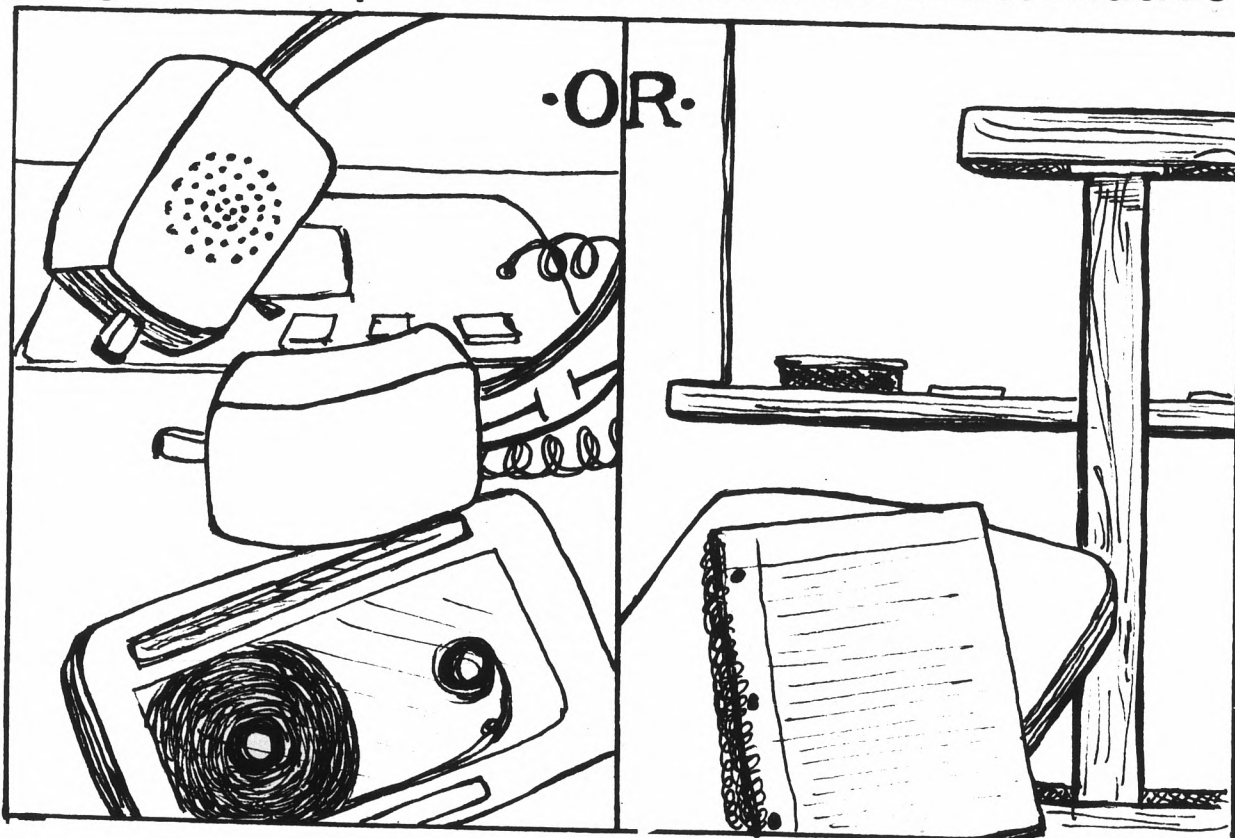
This perhaps suggests a deviation in grading standards; hence some schools have made an attempt to raise students' supposed "educated" levels to those of their GPA's.

Nearby California State Fullerton, for example, has set a new prerequisite that all seniors must pass both a standard English examination and a written composition test before they can qualify for graduation and obtain their bachelor's degrees.

Thus far there have been many who failed to pass (30 to 40 percent). Thus far CSF's administration has also received many complaints from those who believe the requirements are affixed too strictly and unjustly. The school, nevertheless, has decided to continue the policy.

When asked if he felt it was a good idea for CSF to tighten its belt of standards, Dr. William Wenrich, president of SAC, replied: "It's probably a good idea, but will need to be evaluated more over time."

And, as far as SAC is concerned, Wenrich believes that "perhaps mandatory English and computational skills might be Please see COMPOSITION page 5



SAC looks to Roger Wilson to improve athletic program

by Pete Maddox
Staff Writer

The Board of Trustees Wednesday night approved the appointment of women's softball coach Roger Wilson to the newly created position of Athletic Director.

The job, according to Doug Gorrie, dean of the Athletics Division, will be a line position. This means Wilson will have the authority to take action and make decisions (as opposed to a staff position which could only make recommendations). He will also have the authority to reassign coaches who are not performing their duties.

Wilson, who says he is "no reformer on a crusade," sees his responsibilities to be mainly those which take the pressure off the coaches, enabling them to do their job. And he plans upon making a "comprehensive evaluation of the athletic programs. Do we need new ones? Should we keep some of the old ones?" he asked.

Wilson, a 14-year baseball coach for SAC with a state championship in 1967 was chosen according to Gorrie, because of his "overall background." He served as Division Chairman of the physical Education Department in 1973-74 and has coached the women's softball team for three years. Wilson has also served as water polo coach and chief negotiator for the Faculty Association.

Since SAC has been in the South Coast Conference, many problems have surfaced. Fullerton and Mt. SAC both have around 20 high schools from which to draw athletes while SAC has nine. This means the coaches must rely on out-of-district players

if they want to compete. And, every year accusations of illegal recruiting are directed at SAC coaches.

Wilson hopes to solve many of those problems. He states that he has the commitment to "play by the rules," thereby eliminating the possibility of problems of that nature in the future.

One of his first duties will be to replace himself as coach of the women's softball team. The job description for the Athletic Director does not allow for that person to function in the coaching capacity. He will also have to find replacements for Ross MacDonald and Ernie Tolman, both special teams coaches for the SAC football squad. They have asked for reassignment and will no longer be working with the football program.

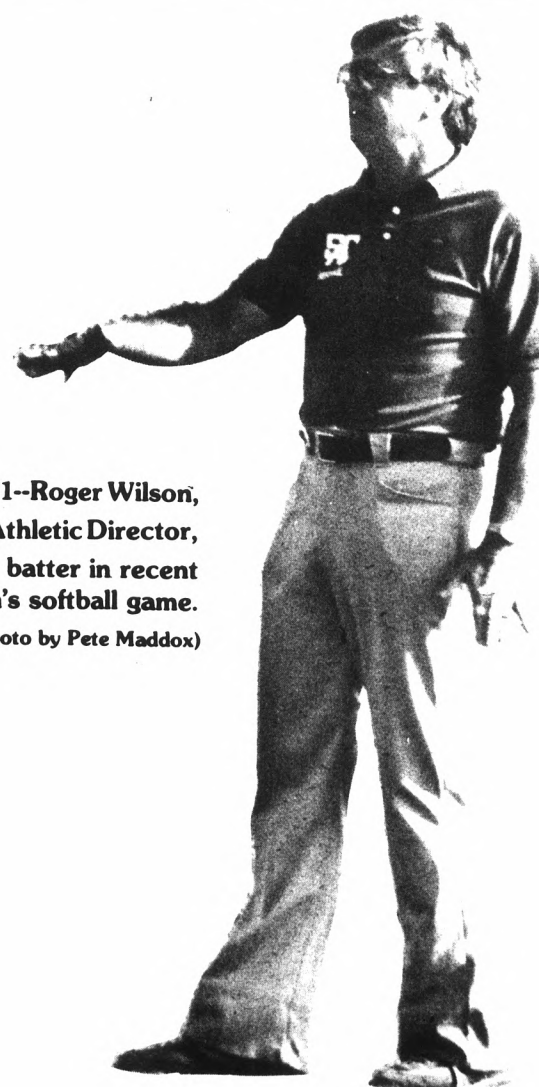
The creation of the new position serves as a demonstration of SAC's renewed commitment to a better athletic program. Wilson hopes to improve that area by providing more support for the coaches and helping the athletes with their problems. He says he will see that the facilities are improved and in the best possible shape for the teams. "A coach shouldn't have to worry about those things," says Wilson.

SAC may see some new sports activities surfacing in the near future while other programs may be phased out. "Some of the teams haven't been out there competing," stated Wilson. He will be looking over the direction of the programs with one question in mind: "How do we improve our Athletic Department?"

The administration has been asking that same question for quite some time. They found their answer in Roger Wilson.

A.D., 1981--Roger Wilson,
SAC's new Athletic Director,
signals to batter in recent
women's softball game.

(photo by Pete Maddox)



News Briefs

Instructors exhibit

An opening reception will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. with a showing by the Continuing Education Art Faculty in the Humanities Building lobby and Art Gallery.

The public will have an opportunity to meet the artists and see their work. Refreshments will be provided by the Continuing Education Cooking and Cake Decorating classes.

The exhibit will continue through April 22. The gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to noon and Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Diaz appoints

Mario Diaz, ASSAC president, last Monday made three senate appointments. Those chosen were Richard Vance, Richard Bebee and Daniel Doogen. Of these appointments, only Vance was not approved by the senate.

Auditions near

The Theatre Arts Department will hold auditions for Arther Miller's famed play, *The Crucible*, on March 30 and 31 and April 1 in Phillips Hall (P-100) from 6 to 10:30 p.m.

There are roles for 10 men and 10 women in the drama that deals with the Salem witchcraft trials, said director Sheryl Donchey. The play will be presented May 22, 23, 29 and 30.

Forensics vies for honors

The SAC Forensics Team will travel to Cypress College to compete in the State Championships today through Sunday.

Entering in separate categories are Cliff Stevens in Impromptu, Oral Interpretation, Extemporaneous and Lincoln-Douglas Debate; Carol Henson in Impromptu, Extemporaneous and Informative; Martin Spann in Impromptu, Oral Interpretation, Extemporaneous and Reader's Theatre; George Chant in Impromptu and Extemporaneous; Connie Dacus in Informative, Reader's Theatre, Poetry and Duet Acting; Colleen Spann in Oral Interpretation, Reader's Theatre and Duet Acting; Phil Lisa in Oral Interpretation, Prose, Reader's Theatre and Duet Acting; Felix Orasco in Extemporaneous, Reader's Theatre and Duet Acting; Mark Hawkins in Oral Interpretation, Reader's Theatre and Duet Acting; David McAvoy in Oral Interpretation, Extemporaneous and Duet Acting; and David Warner in Impromptu and Extemporaneous.

Coaches Ken Turknette and Mary Lewis think the team will do well. "We hope to do as well as last year when we finished fifth," Turknette stated.

Films to be viewed

Bob Blaustone's Theatre Arts 123 class, History of Cinematic Arts, will be presenting *The Horse's Mouth*, with Alec Guinness on March 30 and the Russian classic, *The Overcoat*, on April 6. The class meets Monday nights at 7 p.m. in room C-104. Admission is free.

Tie some flies

The Community Services office will be offering a 10-week class in fly tying and casting. The course, which will begin Tuesday, March 31, is designed for the experienced fisherman and will include the instruction of new techniques for various fishing situations. The class will go on two outings to local streams. There is a \$20 registration fee. For more information, contact the Community Services office at 667-3097.

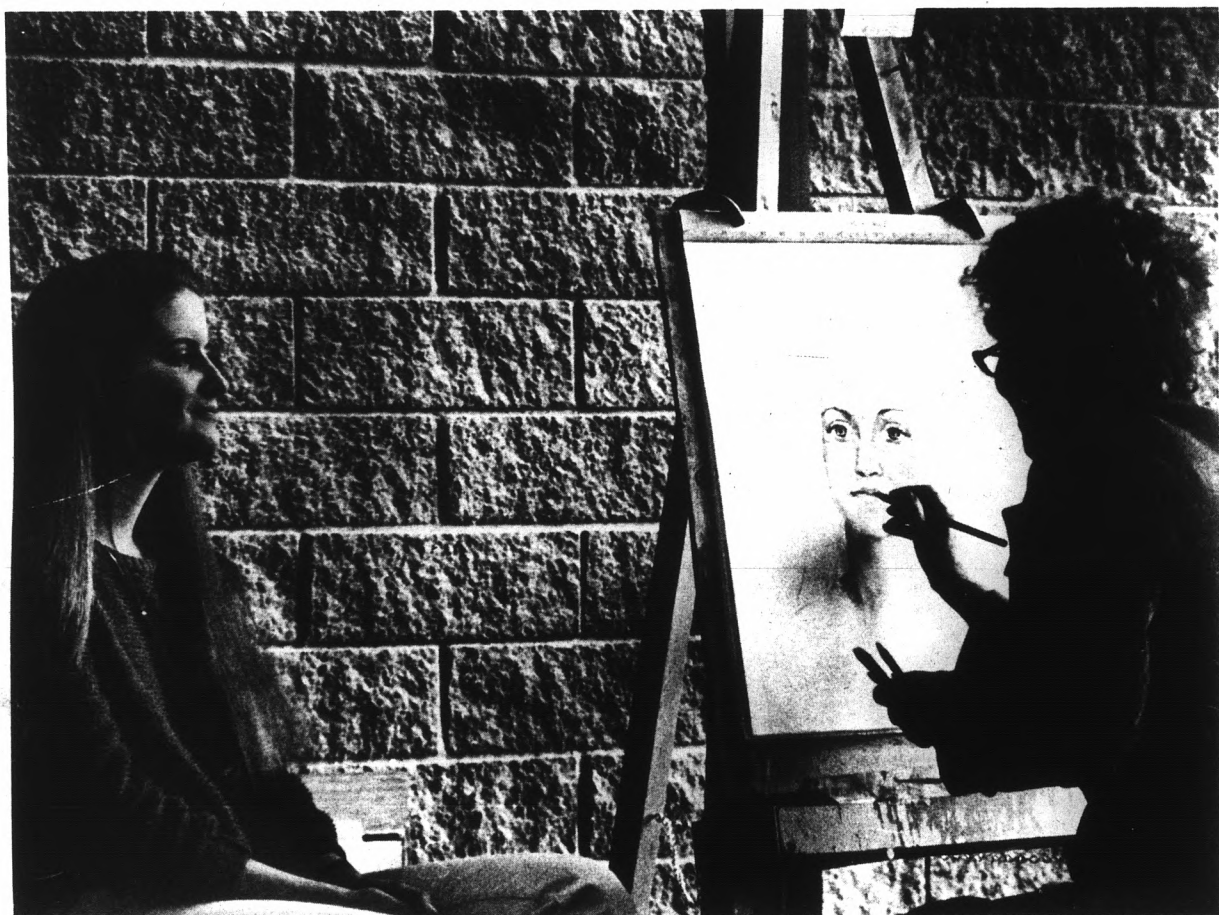
Marketing seminar

A seminar entitled "Marketing for Small Manufacturers" will be held tomorrow in room R-113 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The workshop, which is sponsored by Community Services, will cover research, direct mailing techniques, advertising, forecasting product lines and sales. There is a \$25 registration fee which may be paid at the door.

Island tour deadline nears

Community Services will be sponsoring a trip to Anacapa Island, one of the Channel Islands on June 27. Participants will travel by bus to Ventura, where they will board a cruiser to the island. Anacapa is described as an island having "its own one-of-a-kind combination of animals, plants, geologic and human history."

Deadline for registration and payment of the \$40 fee is Tuesday, March 31.



IS THAT ME? -- SAC art major Philomena Maloney has her portrait done in pastel by Chris Crandell. The portrait demonstration was staged as part of an arts and crafts display, all

the works of which were created by students from the RSCCD Garden Grove campus. The event was produced as part of Women's Week.

(photo by Mike Schwartz)

Students seek alternatives if financial proposals passed

by Lisa Redfield
City Editor

Spring is a time when thoughts turn to love, baseball or, in the case of many Santa Ana College students, applying for financial aid for the fall semester.

In previous years it was mostly a matter of applying and waiting for eligibility, but beginning in 1980 some students, who would have received the aid in other years, were turned down because of increased competition--often from the burgeoning Indochinese population who were applying in great numbers.

This year President Reagan has proposed cuts in the federal budget that could end up affecting financial aid even more making it harder for some students to continue in school.

"We're not 100 percent sure what's happening," explained Dan Rubalcava, director of Financial Aid at SAC.

Most affected will be the basic grant (BEOG) and the guaranteed

students loan (GSL), Rubalcava believes.

The maximum now allowed for the basic grant is \$1,900, but under Reagan's proposals that will be cut to \$1,750. "On the other side, though, allowances will be made for lower income people so the gradations for what you can get will be fairer with those at a higher income. That was not considered before," Rubalcava explained.

The student loan is given to anyone who can prove they are taking classes, but that could be changed to be based on need.

Marlene Frederickson, also of the Financial Aid Office, expressed a different concern. "That's fine, but what about the students who are out on their own for the first year and still considered under their parents income?"

Scott Hood, starting first baseman for the Don baseball team, applied for the GSL and said, "Without the loan I wouldn't have the time to apply myself to my studies."

Hood would like to attend the

University of Arizona and earn a scholarship.

Karen Shimada, a liberal arts major, has applied for the loan, but had not heard of the proposed cuts. "My husband attends Cal State Fullerton and we both applied for loans," she related. "If it doesn't come through, it'll take him two years to graduate instead of one. It would be better if he could graduate and get a job."

Some of the students are not too concerned. A business major who didn't wish to be identified said, "Anybody can do without financial aid. I applied and was turned down. It just all depends on what you want to sacrifice."

Pat Tughan, a fine arts major from Michigan, currently attends school with the help of the BEOG. "It'll be a whole lot harder, but I'm willing to do my share," she expounded. "It's more expensive back East. I expect to continue in any case."

SAC President Bill Wenrich is sure some kind of impact will be made if the Reagan cuts pass.

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Oft-delayed bill passes

by Kurt Schauppner
Staff Writer

After residing two weeks on the senate table, legislation aimed at ending attendance problems at senate meetings was unanimously approved by ASSAC last Monday.

With the purpose of keeping "... the fraudulents out of it (student government)," Senator John Fink submitted the original bill three Mondays ago.

The legislation, entitled the **Unexcused Absences Bill**, calls for the automatic dismissal of any senator with three or more unexcused absences from the mandatory weekly senate meetings and for that senator's name to be stricken from ASSAC records.

The proposal, though introduced by Fink and seconded by Mark Ferris, current pro-tempore, was authored by Commissioner of Justice Fred Kemp.

Kemp, in stating his support for the concept, commented that the only senators that would be affected by this action would be those who have, "... an interest in the senate."

When an anti-legislation argument was requested in compliance with parliamentary procedure, none was forthcoming.

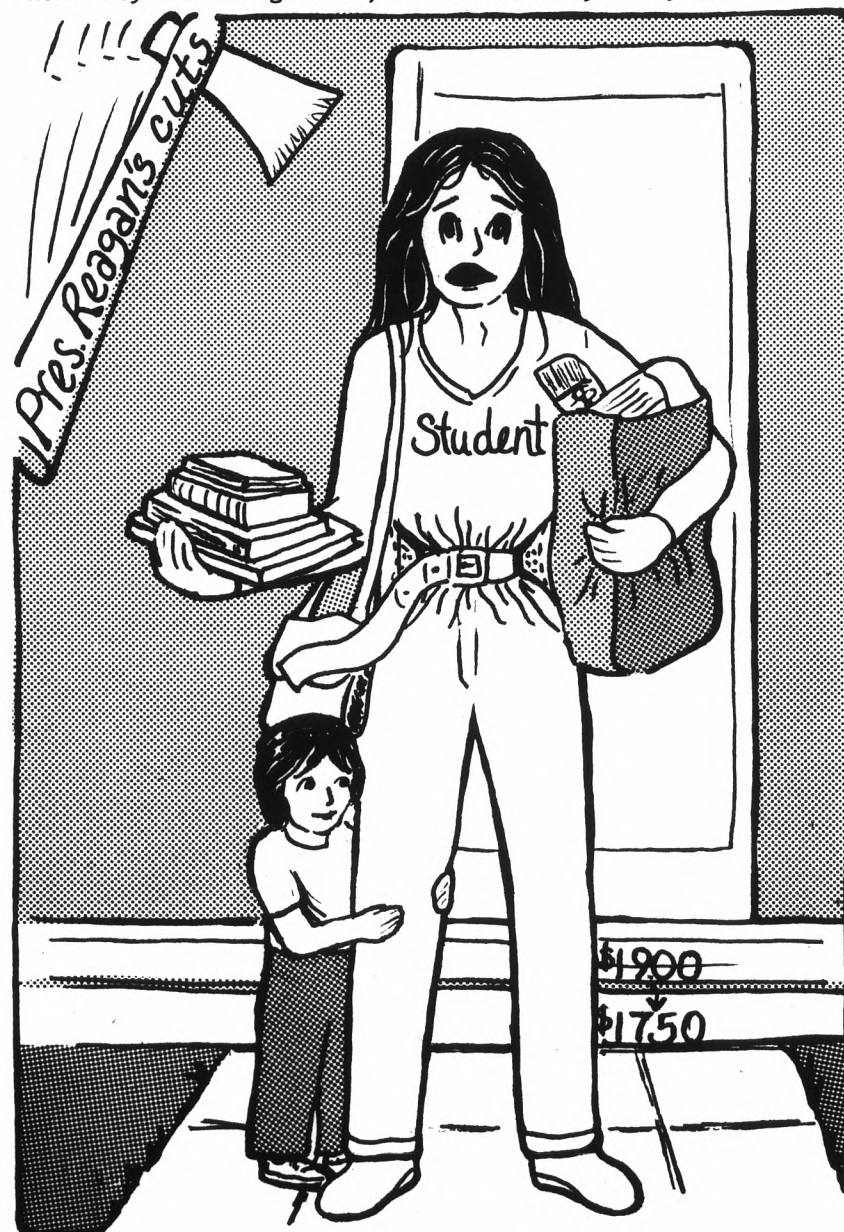
One reason for this lack of discussion might have been a general dearth of knowledge on the part of the senate as a whole toward the belated proposal.

As Darlene Jacobson, ASSAC advisor, put it, "A lot of senators have not seen the rewritten bill."

Those who did see it, including Ferris, who co-sponsored it, praised the action, "I think it is a valid bill, one we need," Ferris stated, adding that, "It will allow for better representation of the students."

The legislation passed on its third proposal, having been introduced incorrectly the first two times. In defending the senate's performance, Gerry Wisegarver, ASSAC vice-president, stated, "The senate is a learning experience ... that's what senate's about."

In echoing these sentiments, Ferris commented, "Most senators are new. They are learning on the job and at least they are trying."



John Birch Society

Growing again, promoting 'pro-American' ideals

by Craig Reeker
Journalism Major

"There is a conspiracy to destroy this nation internally, through many means," believes Arnold Marquardt, a leader in the Orange County chapter of the John Birch Society (JBS).

During the last decade, the JBS all but disappeared from the headlines and held an unpopular reputation with many Americans, though it had strong support in some areas like Orange County. The organization wanted more military intervention to win the war in Vietnam and expressed the thought that Martin Luther King and John Lennon were part of a conspiracy to overthrow the United States.

In the 1960's, Birch Society members were typecast as being right wing extremists, but the election of President Reagan and a Republican-controlled Senate made popular ideas that correspond with some of the old JBS philosophy. These include less government control, lower taxes and the development of nuclear power. The organization opposes most gun control laws, minimum pay wages and the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

"Morality changes economics. It also changes people's philosophies," said Marquardt, a firefighter in the city of Santa Fe Springs. "The ERA isn't really for equal rights for women," he continued, "Most of the people promoting the ERA want them to be treated as men."

The 15-year veteran of the Society sees that "the economy is bringing the American woman out of the home and into the business world." He added that inflation "tells the woman that she has to get out and work because the man is incapable of earning a living."

The only JBS member in the State Senate, Schmitz helped stop a bill which would give representation to the District of Columbia in the Senate. He also attempted to require parental consent for minors to get abortions. It failed to become law.

Schmitz, who is a member of the National Council of the JBS, believes that, "the Birch Society corresponds to the League of

Women Voters." He continued to say that the league is Liberal or leftist, while the JBS is Conservative or rightist."

Robert Welch founded the nationwide JBS association in 1958. At its first meeting, 11 businessmen discussed "the threat of the communist conspiracy . . . within the United States," wrote the founder in his publication, **The Blue Book of the JBS**. Marquardt stated that

funding for the liberal groups in this country that have been living off tax funds.

Schmitz believes that Reagan made a mistake by appointing some members of the Trilateral Commission to his cabinet.

"There's a fight going on right now between the Trilateralists and the other," he stated. During the Carter Administration, "there wasn't even a fight -- it was solidly in

belong to the organization also.

"Our news media and major banking industries," Marquardt went on to say, "are all dedicated to destroying the economy of this nation, thereby bringing us to our knees so we will gradually merge with the Soviet Union."

Gary Teigen, a SAC political science instructor, disagrees with Marquardt and the JBS. "I do not believe any one group of persons,

people so they can support candidates that are pro-American," the chapter leader said. The members are kept informed by the JBS through over 100 American Opinion Bookstores including one at 2114 Tustin Ave. in Santa Ana.

Teigen believes that "the Birch Society does not engage in true education because single-minded analysis and conclusions are not real education." He also states that the JBS "has not imprinted anything on the overall American political scene."

Mabbutt considers the society's education "to be falsities as well as truth" and that they tend to target scapegoats. He gave the example of SAC's political science instructor, John Schmitz, recently accusing Martin Luther King of being a communist.

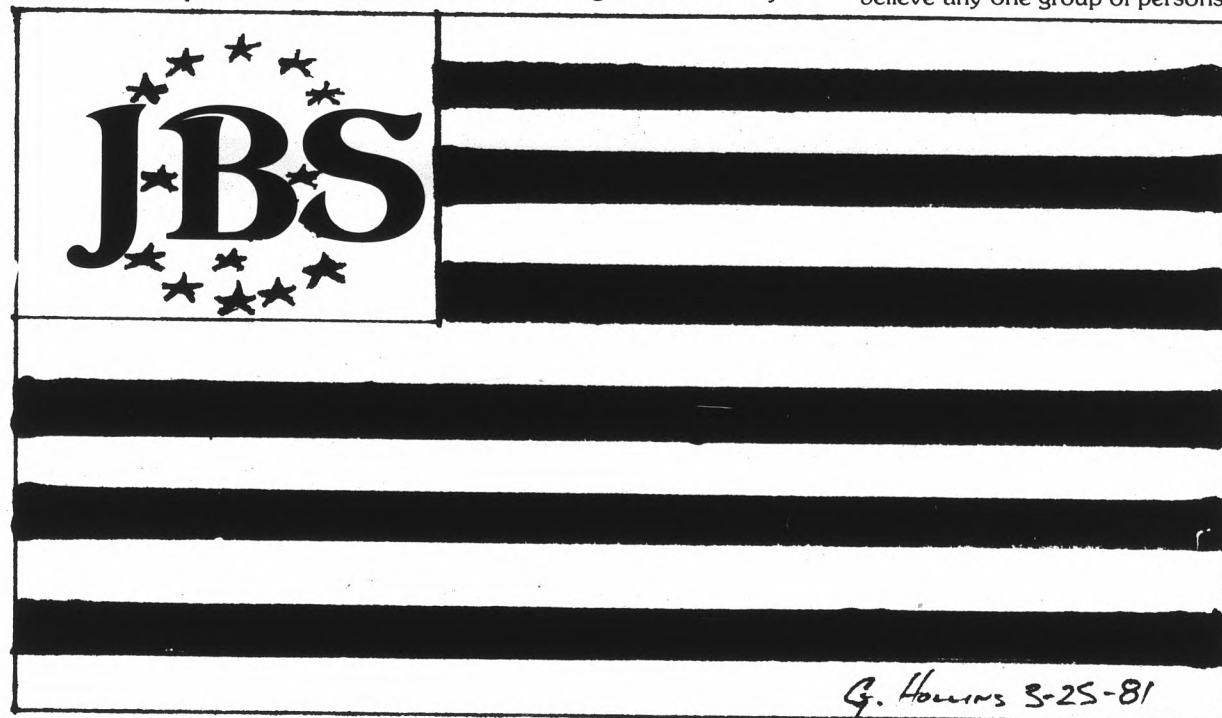
The JBS stresses that the United States is a republic and not a democracy or, as Marquardt puts it, "mobocracy." He believes that a democracy "is where the majority decides what the minority is going to do," while a republic protects an individual's rights.

There is a "very small difference" between the two types of government, insists Mabbutt. "Both are founded on precisely the same two principles," which are that the majority rules and "each person has the same vote."

The instructor continued: "As James Madison pointed out in Federalist Paper No. 10, the difference is that a democracy is small in size and a republic is large. This means representation in a democracy is direct while it is indirect in a republic." Mabbutt concluded by saying, "I think it would be a country less free than what it is now," if controlled by the JBS.

Robert Welch has written that John Birch was a captain in the U.S. Army during World War II. According to the JBS, the soldier was killed after the fighting stopped in 1945, so he became the first casualty of the cold war.

"Our nation is sliding downhill in a socialistic program," said Marquardt. The JBS' long-term goal is to "turn this country around" before the communists "destroy the free enterprise system," he insisted.



the "JBS had a very bad name" in its early years, but now believes "we've overcome" a negative reputation.

Some of the literature obtainable from the JBS includes: **The Life of John Birch, Up From Liberalism and None Dare Call It Conspiracy**, which contains an introduction by Schmitz.

The State Senator stressed that the JBS is "a Conservative educational organization to compensate for what the media is not doing and to a certain extent what education is not doing." He added, "It's non-partisan."

In regards to President Reagan, Schmitz claimed, "I'm very pleased with what he's doing so far," even though the Birch member had been "critical of him as a governor." He went on to say that he promotes "the stand being made in El Salvador, the cutting of the budget" including "most of the

control" of the Commission.

The instructor attends quarterly National Council meetings to set general policy for the JBS. The Society also puts out a monthly and weekly magazine, a monthly bulletin, a syndicated radio station and newspaper column.

Even though Schmitz has not decided who to support during the 1982 gubernatorial election, he said, "I'm going to favor the one that helps me on whatever I decide to do."

The JBS endorses a conspiracy theory that the Trilateral Commission is creating a one-world government that will eliminate the United States. David Rockefeller, chairman of the Chase Manhattan Bank, founded the commission which includes members Jimmy Carter, Walter Mondale and Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig. Many corporations such as Bank of America, Exxon and Nippon Steel

such as the Trilateral Commission, is conspiring to create a one-world government." He added that this theory "shows the single-minded fallacies of the Birch Society."

Another SAC political science instructor, Fred Mabbutt, believes the JBS "tends to see things in very simple ways, but life is more complicated." He further commented that "the leading industrialists, in an attempt to deal with the cartel of the third world, are now imposing their interests" through the Trilateral Commission.

Being an educational organization, the JBS does not endorse any political candidates or propositions, Marquardt stressed. But they do take stands on certain issues such as supporting the United States withdrawal from the United Nations and marijuana remaining illegal.

"All our work is to educate

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"It hurts us less because we don't have tuition," he stated, "but we will be affected because any loss can't be made up. The state doesn't have the money."

Wenrich also brought up the problem of work-study which was overextended this year. More students were offered jobs than the district had space for.

"We may have to borrow the money from next year's allotment to pay for this year," he lamented.

Joe Dias of the Placement Office said that steps are being taken to insure that doesn't happen again.

"We're only going to accept enough students for the number of positions open," he said. "When a student terminates, we will fill in the spot with the next eligible person."

Whatever happens will not be known for sure for awhile although it was announced that student loans are being held up.

For those who do need it, the loan may come too late for next year, so thoughts of financial aid may have to begin even earlier than was previously anticipated -- well before a spring romance or spring training.



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U.S. can't exactly ignore El Salvador

As much as we've tried to avoid paying any measurable attention to the uncivil civil war that is known as the situation in El Salvador to most six o'clock news viewers, the fact remains that millions of United States dollars and 54 U.S. military advisers are very much a part of that situation.

Cries of "that's what you said about Vietnam" have sprung forth from some of the people who remember all too well that a load of military advisers and aid marked only the beginning of U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia.

But that was across the ocean, in a different hemisphere. The strategic geographic location of strife-torn El Salvador makes this "situation" entirely different. Or does it?

The government, ours and El Salvador's, claims that leftist guerrillas are attempting to unseat the civilian President, Jose Napoleon Duarte, with the aid of communist-supplied arms and ammunition. A communist foothold in Central America could spell trouble for other poverty-filled, unstable nations and one-by-one, their governments could fall at the hands of communist-fed rebels. C'mon Kremlin, who's next? Nicaragua? Costa Rica? Panama? Mexico?

The threat to our nation's well being, even to just our national security and our ability to rest easily along our borders cannot be ignored.

Central America isn't Southeast Asia. El Salvador can never be another Vietnam, because even after U.S. withdrawal and the fall of Saigon to the communist forces there were still a few thousand miles of Pacific Ocean between us and them. Call us when they reach Pearl Harbor.

Call us when they get to Brownsville, Texas or El Paso. Tell us when the Russian-supplied Mexican guerrillas cross the Arizona border and we'll tell you when you've got a crisis. Not on your life! Before they even get a chance to make a borscht burrito, we should nail the communists in El Salvador. The domino stops there.

Power struggles are never that simple.

El Salvadorian government troops continue to launch their own offensives against the rebels in the mountains and foothills of the wartorn nation. They are supplied with U.S. arms they were trained to use by U.S. military men. They seem to be doing pretty well. Our side is winning. Tentative return dates for the advisers have been set by the Pentagon and national elections have been promised in El Salvador by Duarte's junta. Democracy in action.

A jab at our system isn't denying the real truth about the Central American country where people are gunned down in the streets every day, nor does it indicate ignorance of the fact that four of the victims were American nuns. War is hell.

Political unrest so close to our borders, and with the death of the nuns, seemingly closer, calls for some action by our government.

Ronald Reagan's administration has taken that action as it saw fit. We only hope they have the common sense to listen to the people, remember Vietnam, consider extremely limited U.S. involvement in Central American affairs and keep our commitment to an absolute minimum.

el Don

Year of the disabled: Focus on understanding

A student wants to go to the mountains and tells the instructor that he will not be able to read the book assigned for Monday's class. The teacher says, "Oh, that's okay. You go off and have a good time."

Sound familiar? No? That could be because you are not one of the disabled students on campus whose instructor may wrongfully have so much pity he thinks just showing up for class is a minor miracle.

While most disabled students do have very real problems and need compassion and understanding, that does not mean they are unable to do anything.

According to Mary Majors of DISSAC, "Some of the disabled students here come from sheltered homes where everything was done for them and they won't do anything for themselves. Instructors have to deal with these kids and treat them the same as everyone else or it will be unfair to everyone."

If the current International Year of the Disabled does nothing else, it should point out that handicapped people can lead as fruitful a life as anyone else.

Franklin D. Roosevelt is a prime example of a person with polio which debilitated him for life and yet he was elected President of the United States four times.

Stevie Wonder is blind and yet he not only composes music, but also performs in concert to the delight of many.

It may be a cliché that a handicap is just an inconvenience, but there are many things that some of us so-called normal people can't do. "Handicap" should not be synonymous with "incapable." Some of the afflictions are obvious, but if we go beyond the physical, to the mental we might find people with more to offer than we could imagine.

Majors said that while she hopes that the designated year makes us aware of the disabled and their accomplishments, she is afraid that the exposure may result in overkill and the issue become lost or soon forgotten.

What a shame if we should turn away now and use the excuse of saying, "Why try to communicate? I'm sick of hearing about 'their' problems."

Think about it. Someday 'their' problem could be 'your' problem. What if you go diving off into a pool and hit the water wrong and are paralyzed for life? Accidents can happen to anyone and yet we can still contribute.

Last year TV station WGBH in Boston filmed the facilities and programs SAC offers for the disabled. The drama begins with a former basketball player who has had an accident, struggling to make a basket in a pool and goes on to show how well the disabled function in a college atmosphere and how they can be mainstreamed into society.

It can happen to any of us and we should be aware and sensitive to the needs of all people.

Instead of looking at the disabled with maudlin pity or as being different from us, we should see how much we all have in common.

el Don



THE FLIP SIDE



by Laura Lee Mencum
Editor

Hey tomorrow, wait for me

When today is gone, only the memory remains. So why are we constantly waiting for tomorrow, next week or the end of the semester. Isn't it enough that we have today?

Apparently not. We spend years of our lives in school working for a better tomorrow. When it finally comes, we spend more time trying to improve it.

There are some people on this planet who say the hell with it. Tomorrow will have to wait.

My dear friend is a classic example. She went all through high school determined to be a doctor. For two and a half semesters of college she was still unmoved. Then it hit. She wasn't happy, so she dropped out of school. She doesn't want to wait for tomorrow.

Most would call her a quitter. I think she should be admired for being able to withstand the pressures of society that say we must get an education so we can work, work, work for the rest of our lives.

There may come a day when my friend looks back and questions the move she made. Even so, it won't be too late. Then again, she may never look back.

How many lives are spent trying to earn that fantasy house? People set goals to be happy when their dreams are acquired. What if that never

happens? Was all that time wasted?

I sometimes wonder if there'll come a day when I can sit down and relax without worrying about deadlines, tests, homework, work and more deadlines.

Crazy as it may sound, I don't think I'd be happy without the pressure. But I, like millions of others, want the best of both worlds.

I'm a victim of the system in which we live. I have goals for tomorrow, but I also have wants for today. When I choose one, the other suffers. It's a never-ending battle so why fight it?

I can utilize an entire night with a typewriter working for the goals I have. I can arrive at school the next day with puffy eyes, a bad disposition (because of lack of sleep) and a finished assignment.

Or... I can spend the evening with friends or family laughing and having fun. Which is more important to me?

I'm always three giant leaps behind because, although I care about the future, I won't totally sacrifice today. I need to feel excitement and pleasure beyond that of Santa Ana College.

It's not easy being a student, editor, employee, daughter and friend all at the same time.

Sure I could make my list shorter real fast. But I won't because I know I'm going to make it just like my friend knows she'll make it.

Don't bother me tomorrow. I'm taking the day off.

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→ to the Editor

el Don criticized

This is my second letter to the editor, and I have several things on my mind I feel I need to say.

First of all, in my first letter to the editor, concerning the campus security police parking in handicapped parking spaces, I received a short letter from SAC President, Dr. Wenrich, who stated he was turning the matter over to the Dean of Security. As of this date, I really don't have any idea as to what has happened since. Was there an investigation into the matter?

Personally, I don't want anything for myself; however, I feel the Security Department should write an open letter of apology to all the handicapped students attending SAC through the Disabled Student Center.

Secondly, (this is concerning Pete Maddox's article in the March 20th edition) would you believe that, rather than being inundated by mail, my wife—who attends SAC—didn't receive her schedule of events for Women's Week until this past Friday (March 20th) for the week of March 16th to March 21st. Can you believe it?

Thirdly, what has happened to the el Don? The quality of the newspaper, I feel, has gone way downhill! I am really disappointed.

It seemed that last semester, when someone or a group of

people were having a problem, there was the el Don carrying the banner high for all to see.

I wonder if the staff of el Don is putting out only that which the SAC staff wants el Don to say. Where is the good "investigative reporting" of last semester? Or could it be the staff is reflecting the attitude of this semester's students?

Last semester's paper was one I looked forward to reading; this semester's paper I read if I want to be bored. I am really disappointed. Thank you.

Larry Lovelace

Student angered

On Jan. 30, 1981, I was advised by my doctor at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center, Long Beach, Ca., that I was going to be admitted to the hospital for tests, as I was having stomach pain and possible complications from an operation I had in Tucson Arizona. I was advised to report to the hospital on Feb. 2.

So, on Jan. 30, I notified the Disabled Student's Center at Santa Ana College and explained the above to them. I was advised that all my instructors would be notified, which was so done.

On Feb. 17, 1981, I was

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required, but SAC should remain an open-door institution."

English Department head Brown agrees the school should continue its present policy of accepting "any student who can benefit from instruction," but he also feels that "perhaps a greater number of classes, especially those that are academically demanding, should have reading and writing or math standards as prerequisites."

Robert Anderson, a SAC English instructor for several years, abstained from commenting on the issue. However, he did release for evaluation a study by Patricia Cross, research scientist for the Educational Testing Service, which was prepared for the 1979 Southern and Northern California Community Colleges Division Chairperson's conferences.

Cross's paper, entitled "Community Colleges at the Crossroads," compares the 1980's community college system to a "superhighway" which is loaded with "caution," "slow down" and "do not enter" signs.

Cross claims that the biggest problem California's community college system faces is not so much in numbers of students, but rather in the diversity contained within the multitudes.

According to the analysis, meeting the demands of the fast expanding two-year institutions was not an impossible task in the recent past because of what is known as the "add-on" policy, i.e.,

whenever a new need arose--a new education program, for example--new administrators, faculty, locations and curriculum would be added and the problem could be somewhat resolved.

"But the tax revolt is a nationwide phenomenon," Cross predicted in 1979, and it strikes a fatal blow to the add-on methods for dealing with change that have been used so successfully in higher education for several decades now."

And Cross attributes much of the low morale and disaffection of the college faculties today to the breakdown of the add-on model.

"It is hard to justify adding new staff and new programs when student volume is not increasing," the scientist continued, "... so the workload generated by diversity is working its way into the typical college classroom, creating a demand for change and leaving frustration and unhappiness in its wake."

Cross offered three feasible solutions to the problem of growing diversity: 1. Design smaller classes allowing for more specialized attention to individuals from the instructors. 2. Teach instructors to be more than simply, as she put it, disseminators of material. 3. Devise more technologically run classes geared towards individualized instruction.

The latter of the three is already being enacted somewhat at SAC in classes such as the English Composition Center offers, where the student works at his/her own

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pace, earning from one to three units depending on his own success and motivation.

Lisa Overn, a 19-year-old education major, praised the center idea saying: "When I was in a regular English class, I couldn't keep up with everyone and I was always interrupting and asking questions. This way I can work at my own pace."

Lori Rodrigues, a 20-year-old psychology major, likes the individualized instruction for the opposite reason: "English is one of the easiest subjects for me and most English classes tend to go too slow, so the advantage for me is to get done sooner."

According to Brown, it has been shown that "students are more likely to succeed in a self-paced program."

Would it then be presumptuous to predict that traditional lecture classes may become obsolete in the future?

Indeed, it undoubtedly would, for there are "advantages and disadvantages to both types of instruction," claims Brown.

"The disability with a self-paced program," Brown continued, "is that it requires self-discipline and self-motivation, so this kind of program is only for the student... who can set his/her own deadlines."

Another reason teachers will perhaps never vanish is that as Cross concluded, "No one has yet come up with a substitute for the responsiveness of human beings to other human beings."

FROM THE LION'S DEN

Allred's 'game' show

One of the photo assignments I received for the March 20 issue of *el Don* was the Gloria Allred speech. The title of her seminar was "Legal Games Your Mother Never Taught You."

Since she is a lawyer and the leader of the Women's Equal Rights Legal Defense and Education Fund, I was interested in hearing what she had to say. So, rather than just walking in, taking a couple of shots of her and leaving, I decided to stay for the hour.

I never did understand what the title of her seminar had to do with her speech. The only thing I can figure is that she is a lawyer and the games she was playing with the audience were of the type "your mother never taught you."

Allred immediately tried to rally the listeners behind her by asking them if they thought "women have come a long way, baby?" With the response not being as militant as she hoped for, Allred expressed her disappointment, put her hand to her ear and repeated her plea. When the people in the room responded louder, she said, "Good" and went on with her talk.

Rather than giving the audience a few examples of the many wrongs against women and moving on to what they can do to prevent those same things from happening to them, Allred spent nearly the entire hour talking about her accomplishments. And every time she finished telling how she had righted a wrong, she again asked the audience if the women who had been wronged thought "we have come a long way, baby?" With each unified "No!" Allred smiled and questioned, "Do you think that she thinks we still have a long, long way to go, baby?" And the listeners replied, "Yes!" And Allred smiled.

It was the type of rallying one would expect to find just prior to the burning of crosses in the front yards of blacks in Alabama or



by Pete Maddox
Staff Writer

Georgia. You know, make the people angry by telling them how they have been mistreated, get their adrenalin flowing and put the sheets on. The rest is up to the mob, since the leader usually slips out about then.

For you intellectuals out there, Allred committed numerous fallacies in her argument. Being a lawyer, she knows what a logical argument is and when a statement is fallacious due to improper reasoning. But, like Clarence Darrow, Allred continually argued *ad misericordiam* (appealing to pity) for the sake of proving her point. Her thesis seemed to be that she has done so much for the women's movement (which she has in many cases) and how wonderful she is.

At the end of her hour, she called everyone to their feet, told them to clasp each other's hands above their heads, look everyone in the eyes and chant three times, "Failure is impossible; success is sure; success is sure." When they finished, I approached Allred and asked her why she calls for feminists, as opposed to humanists, to fill the places of power. (According to her, you're either a feminist or anti-feminist, period.)

When she turned and told me she would have to look up the definition of humanist, I figured it was time to go. So, for the noted feminist lawyer, Gloria Allred, I thought I'd define what I meant by the word, "humanist."

The word is a noun, describing one who devotes his or her thoughts and actions to human ideals and interests. A humanist believes all people should be treated with dignity. Whether in a business setting, an informal atmosphere or an intimate moment, a humanist treats another person with respect. This does not happen because he or she is a man or woman or because of the color or nationality of the other. It comes from that person's humanness.

And, because a humanist is just that, he or she will continually battle the selfish motives within that would have him or her take advantage of a fellow human being.

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discharged from the hospital. Also at this time the Orange County Transit District was on strike. I have to depend on the bus system to get around since I am legally blind. I still have some vision, but, by state standards, I cannot drive a car.

So on Feb. 18 and 19, I contacted the OCTD to try and get into the car pool system, but was unable to get in since no one was headed to Santa Ana College at the hours I needed.

I then contacted the Disabled Student Center for transportation but was informed that school boundaries went as far as Euclid Avenue. Since I live on Beach Boulevard, they could not cross over and go into another school district, so I had no transportation through the Center.

I then contacted the Dial-A-Ride system but found out that it would cost about \$4 one way in fares, and then they wouldn't even be going directly there; there would be several transfers, etc.

The main reason was the cost as I am on a fixed income (social security, disability) due to my vision problem. So, again I contacted the school and was given a second leave of absence due to the bus strike.

Upon the bus strike settlement, I returned to school on March 2. I thought there would be no problems since I had been given two leaves of absence. I was soon to find out that I was wrong.

I was not even allowed into any of my classes by the instructors. I was told point-blank to drop the class and, if I still wanted it, to take it up in the fall of '81. All instructors would not even give me a chance to see what I could do; they said I had missed too much class and that was that. I could not even sit in the class and let them see what I could do.

I feel that, given a chance, I could do the work. I think that they felt I could not keep up the reading, but I advised them that I use a special machine, a Visa Tex, to read by, and I would have no problems.

But I personally think that when they saw my white cane, they did not want anything to do with a handicapped person with a vision problem.

I also guess that a leave of absence given by the college does not count with them.

This letter is just to let you know how I feel about being ripped off by the instructors and the school.

I would like to thank, however, the Disabled Student Center for all the help they gave me in the above situation.

Sincerely,
Eric P. Gaskell

Disabled Student

World's end: Differing views

In response to Patrick Johnson's *The World's Going To End* guest opinion, (March 20, 1981) I would like to know who the hell Patrick Johnson thinks he is and where he got his fatalistic attitude to speak for all mankind! It is one thing to present your opinion, but it is another to attack God in a way which shows a lack of knowledge on his part in the Christian way of life.



Mr. Johnson states he is not concerned about the end of the world -- which is obvious after reading his article--but, Mr. Johnson, I'm sure many people besides yourself might have an interest in their future and if they even have one.

I do agree with you, Mr. Johnson, on one aspect, and that is your ignorance. Although I will not excuse it, I will try and enlighten you.

You ask of whose God I am speaking? I am talking about the one true and living God. Not the 330 million gods the Hindus made, but the God that created everything, including the Hindus who made up and worship these

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"gods." Is that specific enough for you?

Heaven forbid, but we do agree on another point: Man and his technology do have the capacity to destroy the world. Check your resources again please; this does not fulfill God's prophecy!

You ask how you can know God as others know him? Very simply. Ask him to reveal himself to you. Once you do this the Lord will not be a big mystery any longer. He reveals himself to all men who ask with an open and forgiving heart who really seek true answers.

Christians do not consider themselves "holy and pious." But we do consider ourselves blessed and forgiven. We also do not wait sitting around for the end of the world or give up our dreams and ambitions. You talk about believers of God like we are some type of robots! God gives us uniqueness and keeps our dreams growing; he doesn't stop them.

You have a lot of questions and seem very confused. That is where we differ greatly. I have no questions and have a peace in my heart because God gives us all the answers if we only read his word.

Maybe in "your philosophy" you have no fear in dying or no questions about life after death, but many people do. You state in your article if we wish to end the world to go off someplace and end it amongst ourselves. We have no wish to end our lives any sooner than you do, but we are not afraid of the end of the world either.

I would also like to point out that your theory that the end of the world will happen when the sun burns out is just that--a theory.

I would also love a list of your sources of reference on the absurd notion that people who love God are giving up his greatest creation! Ask any lover of God and he will tell you we thank and praise God for the world in which we live everyday.

I hate to burst your bubble, dear Patrick, but I do pay my taxes (both state and federal), I do go to the bathroom and still take exams and have aspirations and goals. Life **does** go on for Christians. We are not a breed waiting to become extinct! But we are content in knowing when the world **does**

come to an end, we will have eternal life with Jesus. You ask who the hell am I? Simply, a child of God.

Michele Morata

Dear Patrick Johnson,

Reading your article in the *el Don* (March 20, 1981) I was reminded of the line from Woody Allen's *Manhattan* where he says: "You see me as an agnostic; God sees me as the loyal opposition."

How very much we all depend on each other for definition, for reflection, for comparison and contrast. Surely it must be that we are all loyal to life. Think of all the potential energy, of all the love force of Christians, Buddhists, Hindus, Moslems--not to mention the loving, loyal opposition.

Some of us have found ultimate answers; some of us are still looking, but we can all fight against "the end." The human race may not have "forever," but the world will certainly not end as long as there are enough people like you who will not let it.

I am so glad you won't give up!

Shari Starrett
Philosophy major

Attitudes attacked

I have become very aware of the administrative attitudes and tactics, which are arrogant and totally blind and one-sided in their view toward the working class.

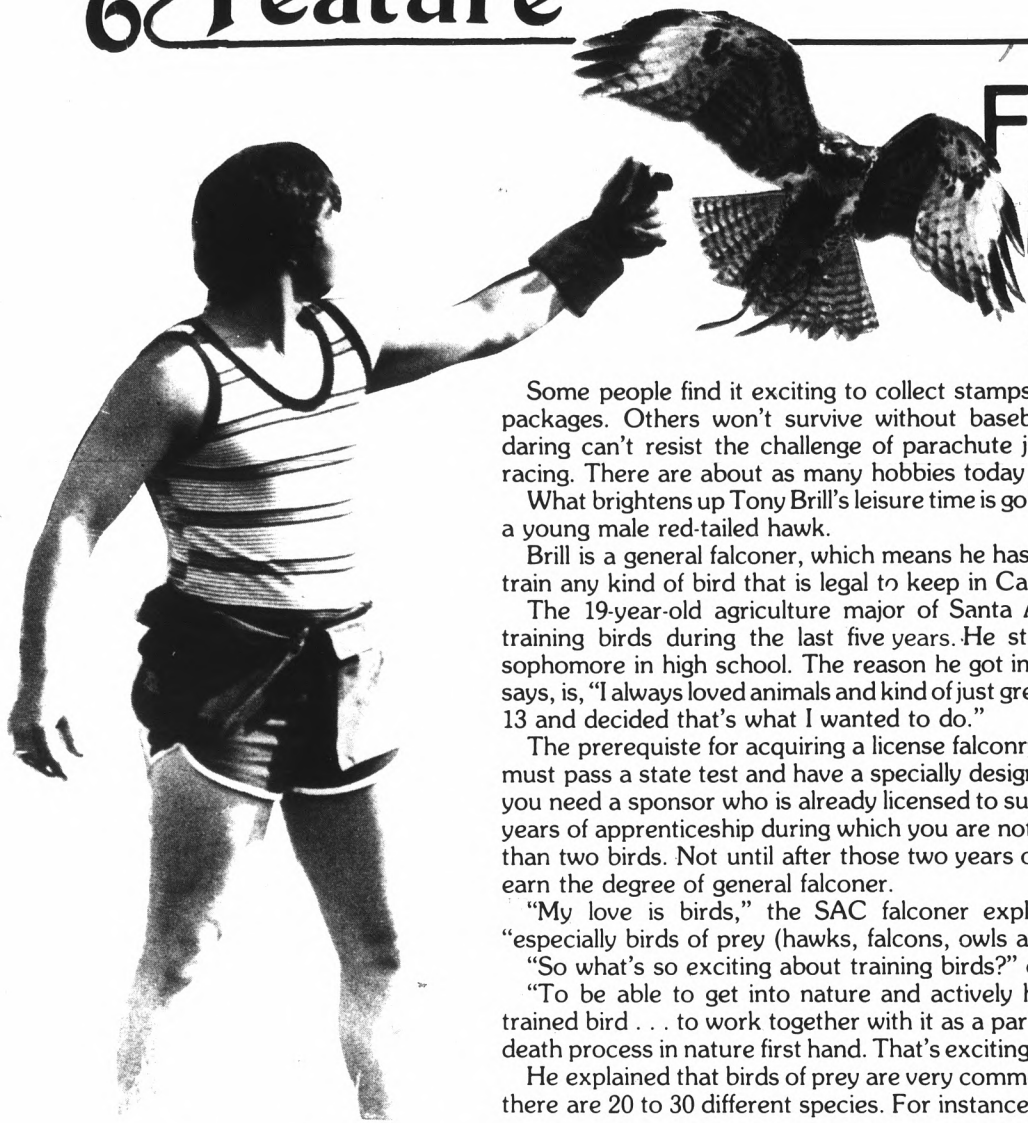
For example, when a classified employee files a grievance against his administrator and can prove what he is saying, he gets a reply from a higher-up administrator saying that he can't understand how any administrator could accuse any classified employee unless it was true--I would estimate this to be a good indication of an overly arrogant attitude, to say the least.

Or when an employee witnesses his administrator trying to coerce derogatory information from an immediate supervisor and, just because the supervisor refuses, this administrator tries to burn the supervisor on petty charges.

When a person has committed an act like just mentioned, I can definitely categorize it as a flagrantly arrogant attitude.

The administration condones and perpetuates this type of atmosphere on this campus amongst its staff.

Frank A. DelaHuerta
classified employee



Falconer soars with birds in hunt for unique hobby

by Suzanne Schuppel
Staff Writer

Some people find it exciting to collect stamps, coins or bubble gum packages. Others won't survive without baseball, while those more daring can't resist the challenge of parachute jumping or motorcycle racing. There are about as many hobbies today as there are people.

What brightens up Tony Brill's leisure time is going hunting with Shailo, a young male red-tailed hawk.

Brill is a general falconer, which means he has a license to catch and train any kind of bird that is legal to keep in California.

The 19-year-old agriculture major of Santa Ana College has been training birds during the last five years. He started when he was a sophomore in high school. The reason he got interested in falconry he says, is, "I always loved animals and kind of just grew into it. I got an itch at 13 and decided that's what I wanted to do."

The prerequisite for acquiring a license falconry, said Brill, is you first must pass a state test and have a specially designed hawk house. Then you need a sponsor who is already licensed to supervise you during two years of apprenticeship during which you are not allowed to have more than two birds. Not until after those two years of experience does one earn the degree of general falconer.

"My love is birds," the SAC falconer explained enthusiastically, "especially birds of prey (hawks, falcons, owls and eagles)."

"So what's so exciting about training birds?" one may ask.

"To be able to get into nature and actively hunt together with the trained bird . . . to work together with it as a partner and watch the life-death process in nature first hand. That's exciting to me," Brill answered.

He explained that birds of prey are very common. "In California alone there are 20 to 30 different species. For instance Cooper and red-tailed

hawks are flying over the campus all the time. Once you start looking for them, they are everywhere."

Brill has mostly trained red-tails, but also has had experience with Cooper hawks and Kastril falcons.

He caught his now 8-month-old hawk last December by using a weighted pigeon with trapping apparatus on its back. The agriculture major said he only keeps the bird for a couple of seasons during which he lets it fly on gradually more open areas to acquaint it with different hunting experiences. Then he lets the bird go back to freedom again.

"It is pure enjoyment and it doesn't hurt the bird," he stressed. "The bird learns more than it would out in the wild . . . If it wasn't for me, my bird would be dead now. It had a disease when I first caught him."

Brill goes hunting with his hawk whenever it gets hungry, which is almost every other day. The stalk for food can take 30 minutes or six hours. "It depends on whether the bird is in good condition or not and what kind of game there is in the field," he explained and added that the hawk usually eats rabbits or squirrels.

"Birds differ from other animals like cats, dogs and horses in that they are more impersonal and don't show much affection for their trainer," he continued, "Birds act on instinct rather than intellect. But occasionally you get a bird who uses technique and does seem intelligent."

The most exciting thing about being a falconer, Brill thinks, "is to observe the hawk when it catches its first wild rabbit and eats it."

But being a falconer also has its dangers. "Like when my bird caught a rattlesnake and I tried to get the bird off the snake without it biting me or the bird," he recalls.

The agriculture major enjoys nature and doesn't use his bird for other purposes than watching it satisfy its hunger. "Falconry is for enjoyment only," he said, mentioning that there really is no way to use the hobby to make a living. "It would be like prostituting the bird to make money off it."

NORML has plan(t)s to grow

by Brian Leon
Feature Editor

What's normal for some people isn't normal for everybody. Everybody isn't for the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, but that's NORML.

When pot was first outlawed in this state in 1915, nobody dreamed that millions of people would become daily users of the herb. According to the National Drug Abuse council, 10 million Californians have at one time or another tried grass, and now NORML is trying to reach some of them.

California Marijuana Initiative (CMI) 1980 failed to qualify for the ballot, falling short of the necessary number of valid signatures despite a massive petition and voter registration drive by the 10-year-old organization. As they gear for the 1982 election, they're really pulling out all the stops and that includes Roy Jimenez' "baby" NORML Times magazine.

"We're going to be a cross between Rolling Stone, High Times and Cosmopolitan," gleams the SAC photography student, "We're going for that Southern California flair."

Premiering in June, that publication will be distributed free by NORML through radio stations, head shops and lawyers' offices in an effort to raise support for the decriminalization of marijuana. "We're against all dangerous drugs. We will have both pro and con," explains executive editor Jimenez. "We'll let the people decide."

Cultivation and private use of pot by adults could become a reality, but according Jimenez, it'll take a lot more than a magazine to get a CMI '82 on the ballot.

"Paraphernalia is a \$6 billion industry," Jimenez comments. "They contributed \$1,500 to CMI '80." The entertainment industry gave little support and college student participation "was zero" in last year's unsuccessful effort. All three of those areas will be NORML targets this time around, Jimenez speculates.

Voter registration drives will accompany other NORML efforts and Jimenez intends to sponsor a field poll. "We would aim it right at the junior colleges," he says, "and limit it strictly to marijuana and decriminalization."

Sororities and fraternities will also be asked to help out, part of what Jimenez calls "the new wave of NORML thinking. Past groups of weed reformists were often comprised of '16-year-old kids and old hippies' who used basically unorganized methods, he contrasted.

"What is happening here in Orange County, the rest of the country is going to watch," describes the photographer, yet he admits that things seem pretty low-key right now. NORML gets help from some state legislators, but they too are lying low. "They're afraid of the moral majority," Jimenez laments.

That seems normal these days.



LET IT GROW -- They may only be scraggly ferns right now, but if Roy Jimenez and the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) have their way, the plants grown in those pots could be a little different in the near future.

(photo by Brian Leon)

March 27	Calendar	April 2
The Mind With The Dirty Man (Phillips Hall 8 p.m.)	The Mind With The Dirty Man (Phillips Hall 8 p.m.)	"Laymen, Lawyers & Laws For Singles" (Faculty Study 7:10 p.m.)
March 28	March 31	April 3
"Marketing For The Small Manufacturer" (R 113 9 a.m. 3 p.m.)	"Astronomy In Space" (Tessmann Planetarium 7:30 p.m.)	"Astronomy In Space" (Tessmann Planetarium 7:30 p.m.)
"Stress-Free Parenting For Singles" (D 101 9 a.m. 4 p.m.)	"Communication Is More Than Just Talking" (D 213 12:30 2:30 p.m.)	"No Win, No Lose Communication Skills" (D 105 5:30 6:50 p.m.)
Solvang Santa Barbara Tour (Bus departs from Phillips Hall at 8 a.m.)	Camelot (Bus departs from Phillips Hall at 6:30 p.m.)	The Mind With The Dirty Man (Phillips Hall 8 p.m.)
Keep Going! Make Your Fitness Goals Happen" (D 201 9 a.m. 4 p.m.)	April 1 "The Hidden Job Market"(Q 211 12:30 2:30 p.m.)	Woody Herman And Group Concert (Bus departs Phillips Hall at 6:30 p.m.)

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'Mind With The Dirty Man' shows all

IT'S ALL RELATIVE -- Wayne Stone (right, played by Michael Miller) and his wife Alma (center, Cori Watson) get to know their daughter-in-law Divina (Janet Pilos) as their son Clayton (William Cleaver, Jr.) sleeps undisturbed on the couch in a scene from Jules Tasca's *The Mind With The Dirty Man*. The play opens tonight in Phillips Hall at 8 p.m.

(photo by Mike Schwartz)



by Gary Hollins
Staff Writer

Decency . . .
Morality . . .

It burns in the mind of everyone who calls him or herself American. There are the God-fearing conservative people who believe that morality is as sacred as the proverbial homestead. There are others who believe that morality should be a loose, free leaf in the wind. And lastly, there are the people who just don't know what morality means. These are the slobs and bums in life, forever cast aside by their parents.

And now, all three of these characteristics can be viewed in *The Man With the Dirty Mind*, a Theatre Arts Department presentation opening tonight in Phillips Hall at 8 p.m.

The play is based on activities in the small town of Buckram, Maryland, and its infamous film review board. Wayne Stone (played by Michael C. Miller) is the head of the censorship board and he has a very

broad mind on what the townsfolk should see in their community. The other members of the group are Father Jerome (David A. Van Patten) and two ladies, Dianne Dracman (Tina Miller) and Lucrecia Conwell (Donna A. McKeon) both middle class housewives intent on pillaging the town and removing unwholesome smut from the eyes of the town.

Wayne and his wife Alma (Cori Carter Watson) are relaxing at home one evening when their son, Clayton (William E. Cleaver Jr.), returns home from college to become a pornographic movie producer. He tells his parents that he is going to marry one of the stars of his porno film and that he has bought the local theater intown to show the X-rated movies that he made.

Clayton's soon-to-be-bride, Divina (Janet Pilos), is an attractive, voluptuous young girl who takes to the Stone family like they were her own, but these close personal feelings aren't shared by Wayne or the film review board.

While all this is taking place, little secrets are being

kept from one another which intertwines with the main theme of morality beautifully. The play was first performed at the Mark Taper Forum in 1973, and it instantly set box office records for that theater. The comedy was written by Jules Tasca, who in 1974 wrote a series of Mark Twain satires.

The main point that makes this farce hilarious is its outright boldness of plot and subject matter. The play deals with a controversial topic very much in vogue around here what with the constant harping about the closing of the Mitchell Brothers Theatre in Honor Plaza. And the end . . . the final resolution . . . contains a message for us all.

The Tom Brucks-directed production premieres tonight and will repeat Saturday and April 3 and April 4. All performances will be at 8 p.m. Seats are \$3 general admission and \$2 for students and seniors.

The Mind With The Dirty Man is a bold, daring play such as Santa Ana College has never seen and it's even enjoyable.



GETTING IT DOWN--Members of SAC's percussion ensemble practice "1812 Over Easy."

Percussion ensemble draws crowd

by Suzanne Schuppel
Staff Writer

People come from all over California to listen to the SAC Percussion Ensemble's concerts. Tickets usually are sold out far in advance.

Much of the groups success can be attributed to instructor Steve Traugh, who is in charge of the percussion program at SAC and directs as well as writes most of the music performed by the Ensemble.

Traugh calls his job "a labor of love." Percussion is a new and growing field, and there is not much music already written for it. "The group has to do most of its own music writing which is very time consuming and requires skilled people," the director said.

At present, Traugh composes most of the scores for the band, but he also teaches the members to write music.

The Ensemble's music style is mainly contemporary classical and not much disco, Latin or pop music, Traugh explained, mentioning that the piece they are now practicing--*1812 Over Easy*--is written by himself and is a variation of the *1812 Overture* by Tchaikovsky, originally written for orchestra.

The percussion program at SAC consists of five different classes with a total of 60 students involved. "Very few four-year colleges can boast those numbers," Traugh said. The Ensemble has competed successfully against colleges all through the western United States.

The percussion unit has been in existence for five years and its large size and (15 members) varied activities "make it the only college group of its kind in Southern California," stated Traugh, who disclosed that the Ensemble had been asked by the California Community College Music Education Association to give a concert later this year.

"It is a real honor to be asked," he said, and related that the music association considered the percussion band as "being outstanding in comparison to other groups."

Percussion is very interesting because it is one of the few areas in music where things happen--it allows for a lot of creativity," the SAC music instructor continued. The reason why it is not as popular as it could be, he feels, is that "most people who (wind up teaching) percussion don't take the time or have the skills to teach."

Unfortunately percussion is "kind of a stepchild in community programs," the dynamic SAC musician pointed out. "It is greatly misunderstood. People think it's only drums."

Actually the band uses 50 to 60 different instruments such as the aremba, vibraphone, xylophone, bells, chimes, tambourines and piano in addition to a variety of drums.

The most advanced students in the different percussion classes are asked by Traugh to join the Ensemble and there is now a long waiting list, "contrary to a few years ago when I had to beg people to join," he recalls.

Freese, All-Star Band to perform with group

There is something special about Disneyland that attracts all of us. Part of that magic is the music, especially that played by the Disneyland Band and its leader, Stan Freese.

Now, that Disneyland charm is coming to SAC.

Freese, director of the Disneyland Band and a tuba virtuoso, will be the featured soloist with the Santa Ana College Evening Band Concert in a performance Sunday, April 5 at 7 p.m. in Phillips Hall.

The Disneyland All-Stars will appear with Freese, who recently toured China with the University of Minnesota Symphonic Band. They will present the old-style sound of the Jazz Age.

Appearing in the program, along with Freese and the All-Stars, will be the SAC Jazz Ensemble, which will present a variety of selections in the big band style of Buddy Rich and Maynard Ferguson.

"This is our big concert of the year," states Ben Glover, a SAC music instructor and director of the presentation. "It gives our musicians a chance to perform with a creative, talented, musician."

"It will be a concert for everyone, with Jazz, Dixieland and concerto music," Glover added.

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THE WAY IT WAS -- SAC catcher Mike Rupp had the ball jarred from his person in last Saturday's game with Fullerton. The throw from the outfield arrived in time, but the resulting collision allowed the Hornet to score as Fullerton won 8-0. A 6-3 loss to Mt. SAC Tuesday dropped the Dons to 2-2, the same as Fullerton who lost to San Diego Mesa (the worst team in the league) the same day. Trailing first place Orange Coast by two games, SAC next travels to Mesa tomorrow to play the Olympians in a noon game. Santa Ana's next league home game is April 4 when they meet Cerritos.

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Hawaiian five discover mainland paradise

by Alice Casbara
Managing Editor

Island girls. SAC has discovered five Hawaiian women who would rather be playing softball on the mainland than hula dancing on Waikiki.

Faddie and Nettie Aki, Maria Almeida, Charlene Kela, and Nani Panui are the islanders who have contributed to the Dona's 3-3 conference record this season.

Although all agree they miss Hawaiian food, beaches and their families, they are here because they feel California has more to offer in women's athletics.

Pitcher Charlene Kela, who has six shut-outs so far this season, was informed about SAC last year by her uncle, Joe Lue, who is presently assisting Dona coach Roger Wilson.

"I wanted to get something out of myself," said physical therapy major Kela. "I set down goals and believed I could get myself through school with the talents I have."

Coach Wilson has witnessed Kela's abilities. "She is more advanced because this is her second year," Wilson stated. "Charlene realizes that California community college softball competition is good."

Kela, who would like to matriculate to a four-year school, feels both confidence and

teamwork are what the Donas have going for them this year.

The 20-year-old Hawaiian said she was happy with her present situation and when off the field enjoys "kicking back and listening to Christian music."

The Hawaiian five have lived together in Santa Ana for the past year. Finding part-time jobs, paying rent and bills, and not having access to a car or phone were part of the adjustments they made.

"The transition from a slower-paced, relaxed environment to a place where everyone is always moving was quite a difference," said second baseman Maria Almeida.

"I think we are growing up fast," added third baseman Nettie Aki. Our parents feel it's a good experience and are willing to help us out if we need it."

Catcher Faddie Aki, who feels SAC offers more subjects and opportunities for students, is majoring in child psychology. Almeida is a P.E. major and Nettie Aki's major is liberal arts.

The women agree that Hawaii only offered community softball games and neglected sports programs for females in colleges.

"We came here to play ball in hopes that it would put us through school," said Faddie Aki. "But I think we all realize that it's hard to go to a four-year school through softball and there's a lot of competition in California."

"Coaches Wilson and Lue have helped us out a lot," commented shortstop Panui. "They have been a real comfort to us since we've been away from home."

"I don't think there are any problems on our team-you give and take (in making) adjustments," the former hula dancer continued. "We are just here to play softball and are concerned with playing a good game."

Almeida noted a difference from the Hawaiian community teams and the Donas in the amount of players. "In Hawaii, there were at least 19 players so everyone could change positions if they wanted," she said. "With 12 players it's a handicap because you have to stay in one place."

Wilson feels the women are new, but are continuing to learn valuable experience. "They will be even better players next year," he said.

"I think the team is going to start to play and win consistently," he added. The attitude and whether they are ready and keep their heads on straight are both factors in winning."

He also added with 12 games left in the season he could see them winning ten of those or at least nine easily. The Donas will journey to Fullerton for a 3 p.m. game this afternoon.

The islanders feel they would like to do some traveling after they finish school but will eventually resettle in Hawaii.

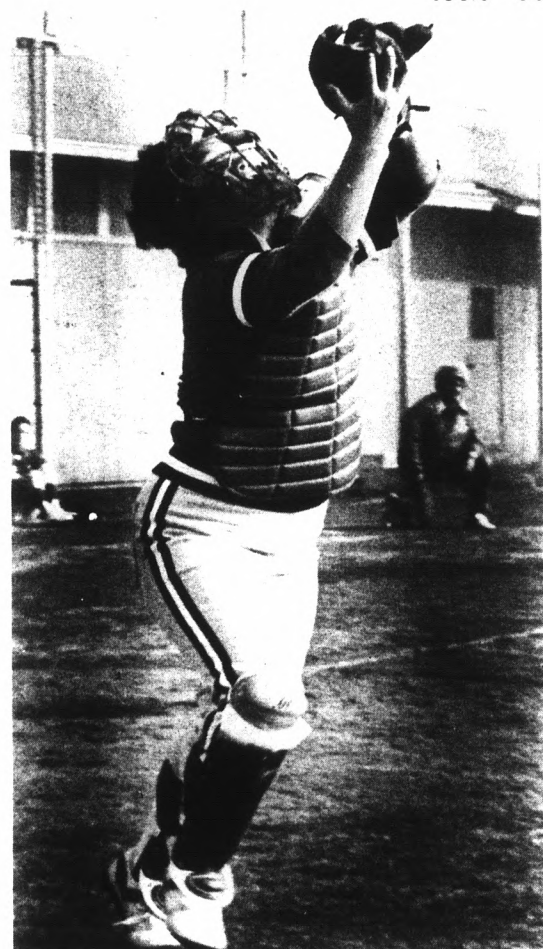
Until then, the island girls are happy at their little grass SAC on the mainland.



Nettie Aki
Third Baseman



Maria Almeida
Second Baseman



Faddie Aki
Catcher



Nani Panui
Shortstop



Charlene Kela
Pitcher

Donas make most of situation; even league record with 2 hits

by Les Davenport
Staff Writer

Like a man lost in the desert with just a canteen of water, SAC's Donas know that there are times when you've got to get a lot out of just a little in order to survive. At no time this season has this been more apparent than in last Friday's 1-0 win over Cerritos. The Donas were in a tight pitching battle when, in the fifth inning, the Donas scratched for the game's sole run.

Nani Panui made sure of that as she walked, was sacrificed to second and scored on a double off the bat of Charlene Kela, who often doesn't need much support, then maximized the run by completing a two-hit shutout, her sixth of the season.

Of the Donas' effort, Coach Roger Wilson said, "We didn't get many hits, but we knew what to do with what we got."

Kela, for one, knew what to do. She silenced Cerritos' bats until the fifth inning when Cerritos

managed its only hits of the game--two singles, to pose its lone threat to Kela's shutout.

A cold, stiff wind seemed to aid the pitchers of both clubs as it slowed hits in the air and enabled both outfields to play fairly shallow.

With the victory over its conference league rivals, SAC evened its conference record at 3-3. The Donas play at Fullerton today and at San Diego Mesa Wednesday before hosting Orange Coast next Friday.

Schedule

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
March 27: at College of the Desert
April 1: at Orange Coast
3: vs. San Diego Mesa
8: at Mt. SAC
10: vs. Cerritos
14: vs. Rio Hondo
22: at Fullerton
24: vs. Grossmont
29: vs. College of the Desert
(all 7:30p.m.)

GOLF
March 30: Grossmont Tourney
April 6: Orange Coast Tourney
20: San Diego Mesa Tourney

SOFTBALL
March 27: at Fullerton
April 1: at San Diego Mesa
3: vs. Orange Coast
8: at Cerritos
10: at Mt. SAC
22: vs. Fullerton
23: vs. S.D. Mesa
24: at Orange Coast
(all 3p.m.)

SWIMMING
March 27: vs. Fullerton
April 3: at S.D. Mesa
22: O.C. Invitational at Cerritos
30: State Championships
(3p.m.)

TRACK & FIELD
March 28: at Long Beach
April 3: at S.D. Mesa
April 10-11: Bakersfield Invitational
4-16: So. Cal Relays at Palm Desert
4-18: Jenner Classic at San Jose
4-23: Mt. SAC Invitational

VOLLEYBALL
March 27: vs. Orange Coast
April 1: vs. Cerritos
April 3: at S.B. Valley
8: vs. Mt. SAC
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